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Transmitted herewith is a **RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT** for filing  
in the above-identified application:

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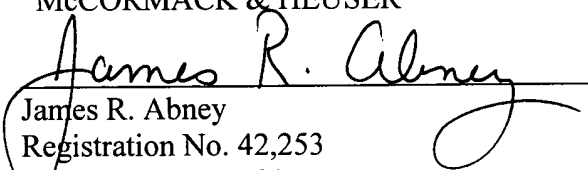
Claims as Amended

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

The following amendment and remarks are responsive to the Office action dated September 11, 2001 restricting the above-identified patent application and requiring election of a single group of claims for prosecution under 35 U.S.C. § 121.

**AMENDMENT**

Responsive to the Office action dated September 11, 2001, applicants hereby amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims ~~20-29~~, ~~40-45~~, and ~~49-58~~ without prejudice.

**REMARKS**

In the Office action dated September 11, 2001, the Examiner restricted the above-identified patent application and required election of one of the following groups of claims for prosecution under 35 U.S.C. § 121: